Students are expected to complete a minimum of twenty points from homework due on the last school day of each month (students will receive approximately 10 points per page). No more than four pages will be accepted per month. The student may choose any assignment from the list below, but MUST USE THEIR OWN WORDS! All work must be done on the computer whenever possible, but be forewarned...students who plagiarize others’ words will have a date with the school resource officer. Mrs. Blakemore encourages students to create their own interesting homework assignments.

**ASSIGNMENT CHOICES:**

**A.** Observe an organism or a non-living thing, and write down observations using complete sentences in paragraph form. (For additional 5-10 points, do some research on the thing you observed. Write one or two additional paragraphs, and be sure to cite your sources.)

**B.** Watch an Educational Program having to do with some branch of science. Write a summary, using complete sentences, telling what you learned from the program.

**C.** Visit a museum, Zoo, or other educational exhibit. Write a summary of your observations, and what you learned on your trip, using complete sentences.

**D.** Take a nature Hike, and write down your observations of the living and non-living things that you see. Please use complete sentences in paragraph form.

**E.** Develop and execute an experiment in your home using the steps of the Scientific Method (state the problem, library research, hypothesis, experiment, analysis, and conclusion). Turn in a list of procedures, and a log (record) of your data.

**F.** Other: Summarize an article about a scientific topic from a magazine or newspaper... or write a page or two on a scientific topic you enjoy!! Students must cite the source of their information, and must attach any articles or computer printouts to their final homework.

Talk to Mrs. B if you have an idea for an assignment that does not fall into any of the above categories.

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